



Social Season Is Rapidly Approaching Its Height

Calendar for the Next Three Weeks Is Crowded With Entertainments, From Luncheons to Dances, With Affairs for Debutantes Heading Long List

New York's social season for the next three weeks will be at its height with no end of entertainments figuring on the calendar, from informal luncheons to large dances, where the guests will number between 500 and 800. Most of the affairs will be given for the debutantes and for the boys and girls home from school and college for the Christmas holidays, but in addition to these entertainments there will be bridge parties, dinners, musicals and dances for the older set as well, not to mention the score or more of affairs arranged for some worthy charity.

The young people will begin arriving from schools and colleges at the end of the week, and Friday and Saturday will be the busiest days of the season so far, and from then on until after the New Year it will simply be a question of endurance for the young people, for to attend all the affairs to which they are invited will be a physical impossibility except for the most robust.

Some days a debutante will attend a musicale in the morning, followed by a luncheon party, this in turn by a reception and then a dinner and sometimes as many as three dances in the evening, going on from one to the other.

The week's entertainments begin tomorrow morning with the second of Albert Morris Bagby's musical mornings at the Waldorf-Astoria. The artists will be Geraldine Farrar, Maria Chamelie, Ada Sassoli and Joan Manen.

On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Mitchell, of 933 Fifth Avenue, will give a musicale at their home, at which Rafaela Diaz, tenor of the Metropolitan Opera House, will sing and Miss Mukle, cellist, will play.

On the afternoon of the same day Mrs. Vincent Astor has invited a number of friends to her home, 840 Fifth Avenue, for an address by the Rev. Dr. John R. Mott on conditions in Europe. Mrs. Robert Ralston Crosby, of Islip, L. I., will give a luncheon at Delmonico's that day. It will be followed by bridge for forty guests.

George Doubleday will give a dance Thursday at the Ritz-Carlton for his daughter, Miss Marguerite Doubleday.

The largest affair of Friday and one of the most brilliant so far of the season will be the dance which Mrs. Belmont Tiffany is giving at the Ritz-Carlton for her niece, Miss Mary Cameron, the debutante daughter of Duncan Cameron. It will be preceded by a number of dinners, one of the largest being given by Mrs. Richard Stevens for her debutante daughter, Miss Dorothy Stevens, at the Ritz-Carlton.

On the same evening Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Coppell will give a dance in honor of their daughter, Miss Susan Bowers Coppell, at the Colony Club. It will be preceded by a dinner for thirty-five guests at the Coppell home, 123 East Fifty-sixth Street. The debutante is a granddaughter of Mrs. John M. Bowers.

Mrs. Edwin Martin Stout, who is at 117 West Fifty-eighth Street for the winter, will give a luncheon at the Ritz-Carlton for her daughter, Miss Margaret L. Stout.

Edmund Randolph will give a dance at the Ritz-Carlton Saturday for his daughter, Miss Ellen Randolph, who passed the summer abroad and returned to New York just before the season opened.

Mrs. William G. Rockefeller will give a dance the same evening at the Colony Club for Miss Isabel Rockefeller, debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy A. Rockefeller, and Mrs. Cass Gilchrist will give a dance that night for her daughter, Mrs. Charles M. Post and Miss Emily P. Gilbert. Some of the debutantes will attend all three dances.

Mrs. Reginald Barclay will give a luncheon Saturday at her home, 5 East Seventy-eighth Street, for Miss Clara Finch, the debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Finch, who is a graduate of Cornell and a life secretary of the class of '16. He was an aerial observer during the war. He is a member of the Cornell Club, University, of

Miss Ruth Gaynor Is to Become Bride of J. T. Rennard

Among Other Engagements Announced Is That of Miss Katherine E. Belt to James Barkley Opycke

Many interesting engagements were formally announced last week. One of them was that of Miss Ruth Gaynor, daughter of Mrs. William J. Gaynor and the late Mayor Gaynor, to John Townsend Rennard, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Clifford Rennard, of 70 East Seventy-seventh Street. Miss Gaynor is a sister of Rufus and Norman Gaynor, Mrs. William Seward Webb Jr., Mrs. James Park, the former Mrs. Edith Gaynor Vingt, whose marriage to Mr. Park took place in California last July; Mrs. Ralph Heyward Isham and Mrs. Helen Gaynor Bedford. Mr. Rennard served in France with the 804th Field Artillery. He is a member of the St. Nicholas Club. His sister, Miss Dorothy S. Rennard, was married to Henry Rogers Benjamin, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Evans Benjamin, a year ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Sutro, of Roland Park, Baltimore, announce the engagement of their niece, Miss Katherine Elizabeth Belt, to James Barkley Opycke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gordon Opycke, of Bound Brook, N. J.

Mr. Belt, who is a member of the old Maryland family of that name and a direct descendant of Colonel Richard Belt, who fought in the Revolution, qualified during the late war as a government licensed radio operator, first class, and in 1917-18 was an instructor of enlisted men of the army and navy at the Y. M. C. A. radio school in Baltimore.

Mr. Opycke volunteered early in the war and served nineteen months in France, where he was in charge of the motor cars of the chief signal officer of the army. He is a member of the Revolutionary stock in a direct line from Captain Albert Opycke, of General Washington's personal bodyguard, and on the maternal side from Major General William Mayhew, who commanded a division in Washington's army.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Jessie Katharine Lobdell to John James Chew. Miss Lobdell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis van Zelm, of New Rochelle, to Ensign Robert Sprague, U. S. N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sprague, 24 West End Avenue, and also of Sharon, Conn.

Ensign Sprague is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, class of '19. He saw service during the war in foreign waters and is at present stationed on the battleship Pennsylvania.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard N. Higgins, of 70 Park Avenue, have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Rhoda Anderson Higgins, to Edward Willard Warren, of Scranton, Pa., in the Brick Presbyterian Church next Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The reception following the ceremony will be at the Ritz-Carlton.

Miss Higgins will have for her maid of honor Miss Helen F. James, of Hudson, N. Y., and the bridesmaids will be Miss Grace H. Colgate, Miss Nancy Walker, Mrs. James W. Cox Jr., of this city, and Miss Margaret M. Miner, of New York City.

The ushers will be Dunham Barney, Winthrop Lewis, J. Philip Wiser, Monroe Parsons, William A. Forbes, 2d, Cassius Clay, William Jermyn and Edward C. Faramore. Nathaniel G. Robertson Jr., of Scranton, will act as best man.

At Christ Episcopal Church, in Andover, Mass., yesterday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, Miss Katherine Menzies Pinckney, daughter of Mrs. Samuel Gray Courtney Pinckney, of 111 Main Street, was married to Charles Wesley Purdy, Harvard '16, son of Professor and Mrs. Herbert Sidney Langfield, of Cambridge, Mass.



Miss Ruth Gaynor is the debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gaynor, of 930 Park Avenue. She has been present at many of the affairs for the younger set.

Mrs. Geer is interested in the movies being given under the auspices of the Junior Cinema Club. She was Miss Dorothy Q. Roosevelt. She lives with her mother, Mrs. Hilborne L. Roosevelt, 80 Madison Avenue.

Miss Baddall is the debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Kirkpatrick Baddall, of 140 West Fifty-fifth Street. Her engagement to S. Theodore Hodgman Jr. was announced recently.

Miss Walker is a daughter of Mrs. Starr King Walker. She is to be married to F. Whitney Morrill, January 4, in the Church of the Heavenly Rest.

Miss Thompson is one of the debutantes of the season. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis S. Thompson, of 908 Park Avenue.

Debutantes of Season Bow To Society at Receptions

Included in List Are Miss Jane Moinsin, of Paris; Miss Edith Hodgman and Miss Clare Reynders; Dances and Theater Parties Follow Introductions

Several girls made their formal bows to society yesterday at receptions given in their honor, and others who have come out in the last two weeks were entertained with luncheons, dinners and theater parties.

Mrs. Anson Wood Burchard gave a luncheon yesterday at her home, 57 East Sixty-fourth Street, for Miss Jane Moinsin, of Paris, a debutante of the season, who is passing the winter with Mrs. Burchard. She is the daughter of Dr. Louis Moinsin, of Paris. The guests included Miss Cynthia Bigelow, Miss Betty Thompson, Miss Eleanor Spreckels, of San Francisco; Miss Kathryn Kimball, Miss Nancy Yulle, Miss Margaret W. Davison, Miss Adele Ryan, Miss Dorothy and Miss Nancy Walker, of St. Louis; Miss Lydia Beckwith, of Chicago; Miss Lorton Fowler and Miss Janet Kinney.

Mrs. Burchard will give a dinner for Miss Moinsin December 29.

Mrs. S. Theodore Hodgman gave the second of two receptions yesterday afternoon at her home, 150 West Fifty-ninth Street, to introduce her daughter, Miss Edith Hodgman. The debutante was assisted in receiving by Miss Adelaide Baddall, whose engagement to S. Theodore Hodgman Jr. was announced recently; Miss Katherine Robinson, Miss Louise Thurber, Miss Beatrice Sackett, Miss Alice Nichols and Miss Dorothy Hodgman.

A dinner, theater party and dance followed. The additional guests, who were taken to see "French Leave," included S. Theodore Hodgman Jr., Alfred Purdy Hodgman, Irving A. Chapman, William Taggart, Spencer Field, John Alder Philbrick, Paul Willard and Guy Richards.

Mrs. John V. W. Reynders gave a reception and dance yesterday afternoon at the Hotel Plaza to introduce her daughter, Miss Clara C. Reynders. It took place in the rose room, and assisting the debutante in receiving were Miss Eliza Parish, Miss Betty Barber, Miss Molly Van Rensselaer Cogswell, Miss Frances Isham, Miss Katherine Watkin, Miss Katherine Rogers, Miss Alison Phillips and Miss Georgina L. Wells.

A dinner and theater party followed, after which the guests returned to the Plaza for dancing.

Leading Members Of Society Sponsor Real Boxing Bouts

Contests in Aid of Marshall Stillman Movement Mark First Time Fashionable Women Met at Ringside

Prominent members of society will gather about the ringside in the ballroom of the Hotel Commodore Tuesday night to watch several bouts arranged for the Marshall Stillman evening. It will be a unique affair and will be the first time in this country when women prominent in the fashionable world have attended real bouts. Many young women will act as ushers.

In the great ballroom, which has been the scene of wonderful regattas and lavish entertainments, a twenty-four-foot ring will be set up and the place will be transformed into a miniature Madison Square Garden. In the ring will be well known fighters, seconds, bottle holders and referees. The bouts will be of three and four rounds and about ten of them will be staged.

Among the fighters will be Harry Sutton, featherweight champion of the Atlantic fleet; Steve Slater, Bob Fitzsimmons Jr., William Spangler, light heavyweight, Olympic champion, and Stretch Baldwin, and there will be six bouts by the gangsters of the Bronx branch of the Marshall Stillman athletic club.

The Rev. Herbert Shipman will be master of ceremonies, and the announcer will be Joseph Ruddy, and the referees Warren Barbour, Major A. J. Drexel Biddle and Dan Hickey, of the New York Athletic Club. The speakers will be John Vernon Bouvier Jr., Sheriff David H. Knott and Alpheus Geer.

Mrs. Geer is at the head of the movement, the object of which is the redemption of the gangster and the saving of young men who are in society's lower strata. The movement aims to check the young men in their downward career and make them good members of society through their own work and efforts. In other words, Mr. Geer and those who are behind the Marshall Stillman movement aim to take the gangster from the street corner, from his pool and billiard room and from evil hang-outs, and have him join a Marshall Stillman athletic club, wherein he can enjoy boxing and other clean sports.

The patrons committee includes: Mrs. Vincent Astor, Mrs. Henry Potter Russell, Mrs. J. Theus Munds, Mrs. Winthrop Cowdin, Mrs. Herbert Knapp, Mrs. Abby Meredith, Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson, Mrs. David J. Gould, Mrs. H. R. Mallinson, Mrs. Henry Clarke Coe, the Rev. Herbert Shipman, Lord Ivor Churchill, Eric R. Coward, Stow Phelps, Alexander M. Hadden, Ellis Root Jr., J. Theus Munds, Stuyvesant Walworth, Charles Dana Gibson, John Vernon Bouvier Jr., Winthrop Cowdin and John McE. Bowman.

The following members of the Junior League will act as ushers: Miss Laura Mahon, Miss Katharine Knapp, Miss Mary Strange, Miss Helena Ogden, Miss Margaret Double-day, Miss Margaret Starr, Miss Helen Coffin, Miss Betty Benson, Miss Lilian Remson, Miss Eleanor Crowell, Miss Elizabeth Manning, Miss Carrie Mathews, Miss Alice Warren, Miss Ethel Potter, Miss Margaret Tucker, Miss Alice Goddard, Miss Emily Bowdoin, Miss Margaret de Forest, and Miss Mary Hurd.

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A rummage sale will be held for the New York Exchange for Women's Work at 154 East Forty-fifth Street Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. H. H. Peace, chairman of the entertainment committee, will be assisted by the following directors: Mrs. John A. Seely Ward, president; Mrs. Carl A. de Gersdorff, Mrs. Mary K. Choate, Mrs. John T. Terry, Mrs. W. Gilman Thompson, Mrs. George E. Brewer, Mrs. John A. Mitchell, Miss Herriman, Mrs. George F. Baker Jr., Mrs. Lyman F. Gibson, Mrs. J. Herbert Johnston, Mrs. Lambert, Mrs. Samuel H. Ordway, Mrs. Norman C. Ream, Mrs. Robert C. Ream, Mrs. Charles S. Smith, Miss Stimson, Mrs. Charles F. Taylor and Mrs. F. M. Doubleday.

A dancant will be given December 23 at the Colony Club for the benefit of the Home for the Destitute Blind of this city. It will be for girls not yet out and boys home from school and college. Tickets at \$5.50 may be obtained from Mrs. John R. Drexel Jr.,

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Novelty Marks Benefits To Be Staged for Charity

First Presentation of the Film "The Canonization of Joan of Arc" Is To Be a Feature of Christmas Festival and Mistletoe Dance at Hotel Plaza

Every conceivable form of entertainment is being arranged to raise money for some worthy charitable organization or cause, and young and old alike, the debutantes, girls who have been out for a few years, the younger married set and the older matrons, all, in spite of their numerous social engagements, are engaged in philanthropic work of some kind.

Several novel and interesting entertainments are planned for this week, one of the most unusual being the Marshall Stillman evening at the Hotel Commodore on Tuesday, when society will gather in numbers at a prizegiving.

Another interesting affair is the Christmas festival and mistletoe dance to be given Saturday night at the Hotel Plaza, with the cooperation of the Catholic Art Association and John M. Barrett. John Whalen is treasurer of the committee, and he was informed last week from abroad that the first presentation of the film "The Canonization of Joan of Arc," which is the only motion picture ever taken of the inside ceremonies of the Vatican, would be given its first production at the Plaza on this occasion.

It will show the social as well as the ecclesiastical ceremonies, with Pope Benedict in evidence. The incidental music for the film will be contributed by Father Finn, of the Paulist Choir, who will preside at the organ. Tables will be given under the direction of Carl Blenner, and around the Tree of Light will be dolls contributed by prominent persons.

A candy booth will be in charge of several of the college set, chaperoned by Mrs. David Knott.

Among those who have engaged boxes are Mrs. and Mrs. Philip J. Kearns, Mrs. and Mrs. Edward McCull, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. C. Temple Emmet, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Iselin Jr., and Judge and Mrs. Martin J. Keogh.

Schola Cantorum to Give First Lecture-Musical

The Schola Cantorum, of New York, will give the first of five lecture-musicals Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Vincent Astor, 840 Fifth Avenue. Nina Koshetz, of the Moscow and Petrograd Opera, will make her debut among the young men who are in society's lower strata. The movement aims to check the young men in their downward career and make them good members of society through their own work and efforts. In other words, Mr. Geer and those who are behind the Marshall Stillman movement aim to take the gangster from the street corner, from his pool and billiard room and from evil hang-outs, and have him join a Marshall Stillman athletic club, wherein he can enjoy boxing and other clean sports.

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Committee Seeks Funds For Devastated France

Among the team captains and canvassers are Mrs. Thomas Bladen, Mrs. Miriam Blegen, Mrs. George Van Santwood Camp, Miss Frances K. Camp, Miss Emily H. Chaucery, Mrs. Frank T. Cobb, Mrs. Thomas Cook, Mrs. George Goethals, Miss Audrey Hoffman, Mrs. John F. MacKenzie, Mrs. Evelyn M. Moore, Miss Anne Margaret Stearns, Mrs. Justin Sheffield, Miss M. W. Stevenson, Miss Marion Tiffany, Mrs. Samuel C. Van Dusen and Miss Mary Watkins.

A hall for the benefit of the building fund for the Madison Exchange for Women's Work will be held at the Hotel Plaza, Tuesday, December 21.

The annual ball for the benefit of the Union Settlement will be held January 22 at the Ritz-Carlton. Mrs. Reginald Barclay is chairman of this committee and associated with her are: Princess Rospiolski, Miss Genevieve Clendenin, Mrs. Frank Duff Fraser, Miss Ethel Garhart, Miss Audrey Hoffman, Miss Margaret Warren, Miss Margaret Flint, Miss Mary Cameron, Miss Lucile Baldwin, Miss Estelle O'Brien, Miss Symphora Bristed and Mrs. Henry Whitney Monroe.

Society is taking great interest in the forthcoming traveltogue by Captain J. Milton State, at the Savoy. Theater Friday afternoon, for the benefit of the Bide-A-Wee Home for Friendless Animals. The patronesses include Mrs. Otto H. Kahn, Mrs. Frederick Steery, Mrs. William C. Adams, Mrs. Henry Anderson, Mrs. Israel O. Blake, Mrs. C. D. Batchelor, Mrs. Marshall P. Slade, Mrs. Harry Ulysses Kibbe and Mrs. Henry Pearson.